## ORDINANCE NO.: 2009-06-02

## AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 2007-11-01 REGARDING PARK RENTAL FEES

WHEREAS, in July 2007, the City of Leeds adopted Ordinance No. 2007-11-01 titled "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Leeds, Alabama, Adopting Regulations and Reservation Guidelines for the Parks and Facilities Within the City of Leeds."

WHEREAS, on June 15, 2009, the City Council of the City of Leeds amended Article 23 of Ordinance 2007-11-01 relating to the fees to be charged for rental of the City's picnic shelters.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED,** by the City Council of the City of Leeds that Article 23 of Ordinance 2007-11-01 shall state as follows:

## **Article 23: Reservations Rules and Regulations**

A. All groups desiring to make reservations for the pavilion or picnic shelters must complete a park reservation request form, submit a refundable cleaning and security deposit, and pay the required pavilion rental fee at the time of request at the *Leeds Civic Center*. The Mayor can waive the fees on a case by case basis upon determining financial hardship. The reservations must be made at least two (2) weeks before the desired date, and the maximum rental per day/per person is 4 hours.

Refundable Cleaning and Security Deposit: \$100
Pavilion Rental Fee:
Up to 4 hours: \$40

- B. At the conclusion of the group's use, a staff member from the Community Services Department will inspect the area to determine if it has been cleaned and to ensure that no damage has occurred. If the area is left in satisfactory condition, the deposit will be refunded. If the area has not been properly cleaned, the department will cause it to be cleaned, with the actual costs being deducted from the deposit. If the costs of cleaning exceed the amount of the deposit, the group or organization will be billed for the balance due with interest added if not paid within 30 days after the billing date.
- C. Groups who cancel a reservation will be charged a required fee(s) for handling. If the reservation is cancelled seven or more days in advance, the rental fee and cleaning and security deposit will be refunded. If the reservation is cancelled less than seven days in advance, only the cleaning and security deposit will be refunded. Cancellations must be made during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.), Monday through Thursday, by calling 699-6131 or by coming to the City of Leeds Civic Center in person. Should inclement weather occur on the day of the reservation, the groups may receive a refund of the rental fee and cleaning and security deposit or reschedule their reservation.

- D. All groups will confine themselves to their assigned areas, unless they are involved with recreational activities. No picnic tables, benches, grills, stoves or other park equipment will be moved from any other area without express permission from the Community Services Department. Groups may change assigned picnic areas if it does not conflict with another reservation.
- E. Organizations and groups staging functions in the parks should acquaint themselves with the general park rules and regulations. Actions which are in violation of said rules and regulations may result in cancellation of the outing, forfeiture of the cleaning and security deposit, arrest or fine.
- F. These group use rules and regulations apply to all City of Leeds' parks and recreation areas except Moton Park.

**COUNCIL ROLL CALL:** 

AYES: 6

NOES: 0

ABSENT FROM VOTING: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA

R. ERIC PATTERSON, MAYOR

July 20,2009

ATTEST:

KEVIN FOUTS, ACTING CITY CLERK

I, Kevin Fouts, Acting City Clerk of the City of Leeds, hereby certify that the above Ordinance was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Leeds at a regular meeting held on the 15th day of June, 2009, and that same has been published in accordance with law in the Leeds News on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July 2009.

Kevin Fouts, Acting City Clerk